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## Our most serious step yet in the fight to save Plum Island

**This morning we filed a federal lawsuit against the Department of Homeland Security and the General Services Administration.**

We don't take this step lightly.

For six years, these federal agencies have been trying to sell off Plum Island--home to roseate terns, piping plovers, and harbor seals. In doing so they have violated federal law.

Environmental organizations, legislators, and even the EPA have warned Homeland Security and GSA that they must take their legal obligations to protect Plum's fragile habitats and endangered species seriously.

But two weeks ago Homeland Security released their latest report and it became clearer than ever that the agency has no interest in conducting a real analysis of Plum Island's environmental value or making a plan to protect it.

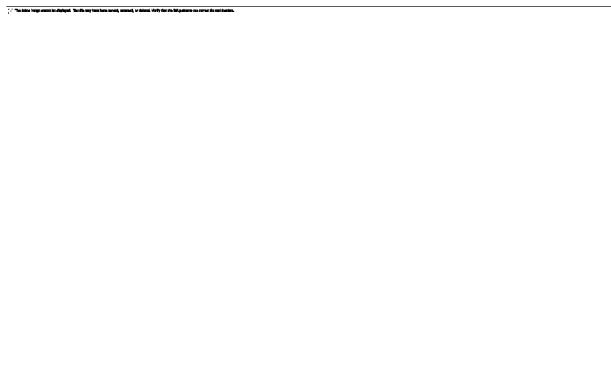
**We no longer have a choice: we will not sit by and watch these agencies auction off irreplaceable, publicly-owned dunes and wetlands to become yet another private golf course.**

That is why we are leading Group for the East End, Peconic Baykeeper, Soundkeeper, historian and author Ruth Ann Bramson, President of CT/RI Coastal Flyfishers John Potter, and birder and environmental advocate John Turner in a suit, aided by national law firm Morrison & Foerster.

You can read our press release [here](#) and the complaint itself [here](#).

### **You can help.**

1. Sign our **Plum Island petition**
2. **Share it** with your friends
3. **Support our efforts** to protect Plum Island and other great places around the Sound



Thank you! We will keep you updated as our suit moves forward.

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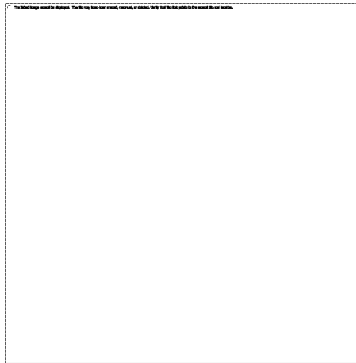
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